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22 July 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with Senator John Sherman Cooper (R., Ky.)
re Y-class Submarine Production

1. On the evening of 18 July I visited the Senator's home to pick up from him his letter to the Director of that date asking whether there had been any change in our information on Soviet Y-class production since 22 May (see attached).

2. During our ensuing chat over a drink, the Senator said that:

a. the letter had been drafted by several opponents of the Safeguard System, including Senators Stuart Symington (D., Mo.) and Philip Hart (D., Mich.), but Cooper had been elected to sign it;

b. at the same time a letter had been sent to Secretary Laird raising the Y-class submarine production question along with other questions (unspecified); and

c. the Agency had been favorably referred to by both sides during the closed session debate and "you should all be proud."

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